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Title: Mr. Speaker made references to the passing away of Shri Anandrao Patil, member, 4th and 5th Lok Sabhas and Prof. Sudhir Kumar Giri, member 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th Lok Sabhas on 16.04.2008 and 21.04.2008 respectively.

MR. SPEAKER: Hon. Members, I have to inform the House of the sad demise of two of our former colleagues, Shri Anantrao Patil and Prof. Sudhir Kumar Giri.

Shri Anantrao Patil was a member of the Fourth and Fifth Lok Sabhas from 1967 to 1977, representing Khed Parliamentary Constituency of Maharashtra.

Shri Patil was a Member of the House Committee in the year 1969 during the Fourth Lok Sabha. During the Fifth Lok Sabha he was a Member of the Committee on Petitions from 1971 to 1974 and a Member of the Estimates Committee from 1973 to 1975.

A journalist by profession, Shri Patil was the Editor of 'Vishal Sahyadri', a leading Marathi daily from Pune. He was Secretary of the Maharashtra Working Journalists Association, the Trustee and Secretary of the Vishal Sahyadri Trust and the President of the Marathi Patrakar Parishad.

A committed social and political worker, Shri Patil was the President of the Marathwada Students Union and was the Working President of the Janata Shikshan Sanstha. Shri Patil worked for the uplift of poor and marginalized sections of the society and for the welfare of the students.

A man of letters, Shri Patil has to his credit several books in English and Marathi.

Shri Anantrao Patil passed away on 16 April, 2008 at Pune, Maharashtra at the age of 87.

Prof. Sudhir Kumar Giri was a member of the Seventh Lok Sabha from 1980 to 1984 and the Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh and Twelfth Lok Sabhas from 1989 to 1999 representing the Contai Parliamentary Constituency of West Bengal.

Prof. Giri also served as a member of the West Bengal Legislative Assembly from 1987 to 1989.

An able parliamentarian, Prof. Giri was a Member of the Committee on Petitions from 1980 to 1983 and a Member of the Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Finance from 1980 to 1984 during the Seventh Lok Sabha. During the Ninth Lok Sabha he was a Member of the Committee on Petitions and a Member of the Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Food Processing Industries from 1990 to 1991. During the Twelfth Lok Sabha, Prof. Giri was a Member of the Committee on Home Affairs and its Sub-Committee on Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme; a Member of the Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions and a Member of the Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Finance from 1998 to 1999.

An educationist, Prof. Giri was a professor at P.K. College Contai from 1969 to 1989. He was the President, Governing Body of the Egra S.S.B College and Bajkul Milani Mahavidyalaya, Medinipur.

A well-known social and political worker Prof. Giri strove for bringing parity in the socio-Âeconomic and political status of the people and worked for the welfare of the poor, downtrodden and the deprived sections of the society.

Prof. Giri passed away on 21 April, 2008 at Kolkata, West Bengal at the age of 75.

We deeply mourn the loss of these friends and I am sure the House would join me in conveying our condolences to the bereaved families.

The House may now stand in silence for a short while as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed.

11.03 hrs.

The Members then stood in silence for a short while

...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: One by one I will hear.

...(*Interruptions*)

श्रीमती सुमित्रा महाजन (इन्दौर) : माननीय अध्यक्ष जी, मेरा एक सवाल है।

MR. SPEAKER: Sumitra *ji*, I have received your notice. The matter is important; I am not denying it. May I earnestly request you to do it after the Question Hour? I will call you first after the Question Hour.

SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN (INDORE): Okay, Sir.

...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: Please cooperate; I am not denying anybody an opportunity.

श्री अविनाश राय खन्ना (होशियारपुर): अध्यक्ष जी, पंजाब के बारे में मेरा एक सवाल है।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : जो अभी बोलेंगे, उन्हें नहीं बुलाएंगे। आप गुस्सा करें या जो कुछ करें, उनको नहीं बुलाएंगे। आपको नोटिस देना चाहिए। Those who will not cooperate with the Chair will not get any opportunity, including Mr. Athawale.[r1]

I am thankful. I am extremely thankful to all of you